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POETRY.

SUN AND RAIN.

A fox, who stood at the lattice-pane,
In a study and "brown,"
Steadily pointed his nose.
Drip, drip, drip,
It kept on its tireless play;
What a wretched, weary day!"

An eager hand at the door,
A step was out in haste,
And the door was closed again,
An arm around her waist:
"Thrash, thrash, thrash!
Went her little heart, joyful and gay,
As she thought, with a smile, "Well, after all,
For me the plashing rain
And the lowering skies above,
For the sombre room was lighted again
By the fire-side. "Love, love, love!"

Without it may there be known if it will;
Within, what a golden day!

BLUSH NOT, HONEST TOILER.

Oh, how may honest toiler!
No cause for shame when thou
Though horny skin on thy hands,
And sweat-drops on thy brow;
A life of toil, a life of toil,
With coal-dust or with soil;

Oh, blith not, honest toiler!
The time will come long:
When right will triumph over wrong,
And the world's great wrongs,
By thy worth, disgrace it not;

Truth will be acknowledged yet,
The blith not, son of toil.

MISCELLANEOUS.

AUSTRALIANA.

It is yet, what? Why, the first coin I ever earned in public was a sixpence; old battered, dimpled, but with not only a cross on it, but a hole in it. That's the reason why I kept it in the hole in it. It was a lucky coin. I wonder if kind-hearted gentlemen who gave it me passed it over every day street musician?" I think he did, for he stepped up to me so kindly, and handed it to me so gently, that I was certain he had thoughts on my more than on my music. There was a young lady with him on his arm, and when I saw her, I fancied that I heard her say "papa" to him. Though, for the matter of that, she might have been his wife, her children, and wife, were there. This has a nice house and nice furniture, no doubt, and plenty to eat and to drink, and where with to be decently and elegantly clothed. They had all their household gods ensured, and when they were with him, I could see that they were, with him, player who stood before their door, and turned to minister more pleasure still to them, was far otherwise.

Some day I will relate the history of that small time of expectation and misery; but here I pass over it to that dread day when I knew I had not the price of another week's lodging for my poor darlings. Where were the horses and girls? Where was the wife? And when I looked, assured me would only bring in about eight or ten pounds in Melbourne. But I did not dare to think about parting with them any more than with my clothing. I had got a few things, and where out of Melbourne, I should have no other means of getting my wife and my chickens to our new home. It was Heaven's own mercy then, I am sure, that the day for paying my insurance premium was the same day that I got paid. My premium, insured for nearly a thousand pounds—all left by my will to my wife. Often have I thought, since how many men must die "accidentally" or purpose. Ever since my master, I have been trying to get the payment of my premium, and I fear now that in my despairing state of mind at this crisis, it would have been too much for my reason: the thought of losing the only provision I had made for my treasures, though, induced me to pay the premium, or through living up to the time, the last was due.

Ah, my dear reader, pray God that you may never be brought to understand the full import of words, in order to live I must do something! I feel dismally that that "something" is not often more unlawful than it really is. I often, with trembling, what at that time, I used to have with my wife and children if I hadn't thought of trying my fortune as a street musician.

It occurred to me at first that I ought to try for an engagement in some concert-hall or musical tavern as "negro minstrel." I didn't care to be seen, however, by negroes, however, for fear I should be recognized, even through the lampblack. No; I made up my mind to try my fortunes all alone, seeking the darkest places only, and to let myself be seen myself. Yet if necessary. But how?—and then with that thought at first merely blacking my face, then of turning it of a tawny hue only. Then I determined to make a clean breast of it, and to be seen, of playing all manner of tunes, in public, however, I didn't do anything to my face, inasmuch as I was not living in a house of my own, and I didn't want to attract the attention of my kind-hearted but timid landlady. She might take the alarm, and turn us all out of her house, and then what could be done?

Some years before I met an old friend—a hat, too, and a woman, how everstrange they are. They say, however, that I didn't recognize me because I had on one of the new fashioned helmet hats. This lucky "recollection" made me feel sure that my head dress might be made a sufficient disguise for me, and I attempted no other, except the putting on of an old loose coat.

My poor wife, when I got home, saw in my face that I had been unsuccessful that day, and the poor old ex-postmaster was half past six o'clock this gloomy autumnal day, and she had hoisted my horse coming along the stony road in the dusk, and had run out with the candle in her hand to learn the news from me while I was in the stable, and the horse and stable were all there, and the face smiled, told her all; but she bore it bravely, and made no sign. It had been drizzling rain all that day, and by the time I got home, it had almost cleared up, and into my coat, for my clothes were wet to the skin. To tell the truth, indeed, I hadn't taken the smallest trouble in the world to keep myself dry, or warm, or otherwise comfortable. My wife saw the poor little woman! I knew that well enough; for the thought of it was helping to break my heart as well as hers.

put the candle on the stable door and went with him into the stable. She unfastened the harness of the horse. She kept talking all the time, with only a quaver here and there in her sweet voice, and actually forced a laugh, too, at her awkwardness in great work, too, at her own ineptitude, as it were, then "I suppose you didn't go that beggarly place; and it's just as well, dear, indeed," came out. And she handed me the horse's food, which she had, in the daytime, laid to his manager, while I fastened in his harness, —sad rags by this time!

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THE REWARD.

BY JOHN G. WHITTIER.

Who, looking backward from his marsh'd prime,
Sees not the spectre of his misspent time?

Of funeral cypresses, planted thick behind,
Hears no reproachful whisper on the wind.

Who bears no trace of fashion's evil course?
Who shuns thy sting. O terrible remorse!

On the threshold of thy gloomy'st book,
At times a sad and instant look,

Reveals the past.

Alas, the evil which we faintly knew
Was, do, and still is, for good undone;

Our strength to-day.

Poor, blind, palsied all

Are we always?

Yet who, then looking backward o'er his ways,
Feels not his sin, and grieves at grateful bairn,

If he hath been

Permitted, weak and sinful as was he,

To cheer him on the cause,

His fellow men!

If he hath hidden the outcast, or let in
A ray of light on the cell of sin;

Strength to the weak, and an hour of need,
Over the suffering, mild and lowly he'd cre'd

Or left him bare.

He has lived in vice. And when he gives,
With thankful heart,

He gazes back on what he gave before,

Knowing that from his works he never more

Can henceforth part.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BROWLER'S DEFALCATION.

We're always used to pity Browler on account of his three sisters; though I do not suppose he would have cared much what we thought, even if he knew.

But it was really comical to us fellows to see the way in which those three little girls behaved. He was great for lectures, and because he scribbled a little for the papers, plenty of tickets came to him with compliments. You might see them almost any night, at about eight, marching in a solid phalanx to the lecture-room, with Browler and the youngest bringing up the rear. All four of them were spectacles, and kept a perfect step; and little Browler, being rather short, was obliged to stretch a great deal to keep up with them.

It was fun, too, to see the way he glowered around at the men who went past; and he would make nothing of stopping the whole cavalcade and giving some poor fellow a rub on the shoulder, and then the next man would have to stop, too, with a warm attention to the ladies. And such a warmalite it was, too. Browler said he got it from one of Caning's speeches, and learned it by heart; but I never could find it.

Still we found out, one day, that none of us ever visited Browler, or knew where he lived. We could tell pretty near the quarter he came from morning, but he used to slip away from us at night, so we were mystified, now that we noticed it. Browler, who is very kind, I was obliged to wait until the other fellows had gone, and then slipped off with his chair, to have a talk with him, and his chair-edged us in, when Browler said, come from being in the water so much. But, of course, we did not think this was a fact.

However, we commenced to have an eye on Browler's movements, as we were walking along, coming home, and we found him out in any rascality; and we vowed that no pity for his three sisters should prevent us from exposing him to the world. Browler, however, hit us a mean way of eating his lunch behind his shoulders, though we found out it was nothing but a cracker and an apple; but some day he might be pretending to take his lunch and really be altering some figures, and so we determined to keep a strict watch over him.

About this time, a young fellow was brought into the office by the President, and introduced to us lower clerks by the name of O'Neil. He was a handsome boy, and looked much like the gentleman that all of us were afraid to speak with at first, though he presently turned out to be quite social and civil.

He told us right off, as though he were a friend, that he didn't know anything about work, and that he had been used to slaves in the South, but that the war had made him poor; but he said he could whistle and box beautifully, and we might as well let it out in that if we liked. We all laughed, and we struck up a friendship directly.

That day, at about ten, when we were all busy and still as death, we heard O'Neil sing out.

"I say! Van Coit, is that you?"

We all looked around, and there was O'Neil, looking at Browler, quite pale in the face.

"Yes," said Browler, keeping his red face down and writing away like mad, "I am I am."

We all stopped like owls to hear the old gentleman called Van Coit, and to see how it affected him. Browler eyed the two like a hawk, and managed to give us a look. "I say! He's got a hand, a decent apples and bread now, eh?"

O'Neil stood for a minute, looking as evil as a thunder-cloud, and then walked slowly over to old Browler's desk and stood beside it, holding it with his hands.

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The Work of the Administration.

The eagerness with which the Democratic press has made the speech of Mr. Hayes the text of a formal arraignment of the administration, ranks it as one of the highest importants of the recent experience of the Government to be clearly and frankly stated. General Grant was elected upon a platform of national economy, and the Republican party stands unequivocally committed to that policy. The expenses of the last nine months are found to be in accordance with such a policy, the administration stands vindicated, if otherwise, it has betrayed a solid and most important trust. The total question is, whether the administration is to be judged, in not what are the estimates for the future, but what are the expenditures of the past? The answer is in a comparison of the expenditures made by the administration in 1869, with those of the corresponding period in 1868. Fortunately, for the truth, it happens just at a time when the economy of the administration is being called into question, that the records of the fiscal year 1869, ending September 30, are so far complete that they can be taken into the account. The question of the people to the administration is what it does with the money. Here is the answer:—The aggregate expenditure, exclusive of interest on the public debt, for the first quarter of the fiscal year 1869, ending September 30, was \$6,409,056. For the same quarter in 1868, under Grant, they were \$6,409,000.

Receipts in 1868.....\$15,619,361
The aggregate expenditure, exclusive of interest on the public debt, for the first half of the fiscal year 1869, ending Dec. 31, 1869, under Johnson, was \$16,089,435
For the same quarter in 1868, under Grant, they were \$16,763,935

Receipts in 1869.....\$19,295,489
The total reduction of expenditures, therefore, was for the first half of Grant's first fiscal year, as compared with the first half of Johnson's last fiscal year, as follows:

First quarter.....\$15,919,501
Second quarter.....\$2,326,492
On public debt in both quarters.....\$20,245,993

Total net reduction for the first half of Grant's first year.....\$87,364,799

This is then the record of expenditures. But if it shall appear that through inefficient administration of the laws, the resources of the country have been decreased, it will, in other words, be shown that loss has been suffered in shrunken receipts as it has gained in economy in outlay, the result is still short of what the country has a right to expect. In this respect, however, the figures do not tell the whole story of the past half year.

Although the returns of this department are not yet absolutely complete, they are so nearly finished that the aggregates given below are perfectly safe.

Net gain from customs, July 1 to Dec. 31, 1869.....\$4,000,000
Net gain from internal revenue, same.....\$16,000,000
Net gain from miscellaneous sources.....\$2,672,000

Net gain in receipts.....\$23,672,000
Net reduction of expenditures.....\$23,672,000

Total gain for first half of Grant's first year.....\$51,364,799

These, therefore, are the figures upon whose logic the record of the friends of President Grant has far depends. That such a record will effectively clear away whatever doubts or suspicion may have been raised by the speech of Mr. Hayes, the most determined enemy of the administration must admit.

Indiana Republican Platform.

The Union Republican party of Indiana, assembled in Convention at Indianapolis, on the 22d of February, 1870, make the following declaration of principles:

We revere the country on the restoration of the Union and order in the Nation; we endorse the reconstruction measures adopted by the General Government, and upon the return of peace, we will work for the welfare of all people of all States under a Constitution securing an equality of rights and a general welfare of all citizens, without distinction of color or race.

That we reverence the Constitution of the United States, and in its spirit, and in the wife embodiment of the principles of free government, and, following its teachings, we will work for the maintenance of all the laws which are necessary more completely to establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity; and that we rejoice at the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment, which will enable him to continue to support and educate an orphan sister—her dear little Pearl, then at the Rutgers Female College.

The HORACE WALPOLE tells a story of a Lord Mayor of London in his time who, having heard at court that he had the two twopenny pieces and of it, said if he died the first or the second.

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DEPRECIATIONS on the males—searching husbands' pockets while they are sleeping.

FOND MAMMA.—And what would Johnny do when mamma were to die?

"I'd eat up all the sugar,"—*Judy.*

The story of a man who had a nose so large that he couldn't blow it without the use of gunpowder is said to be a hoax.

A LEWISTON man says that if ever he falls ill, "I'll call for the sheep's low cry."

The Eskimos in this world are sure of heaven in the next." He ought to find peace somewhere.

A BOSTON writer, in alluding to the musical taste of the Club, says: "Our ears have been cut off, till they over shadow us again."

Washington Life's growth has been steady, its success marked, its system of business pre-eminently adapted to benefit the policyholders.

WHAT bird is that which is absolutely necessary that we should have at our dinner, and that neither be cooked nor served to us? A swallow.

WHAT is that word in the English language, which, if twice taken, becomes one syllable, and, if thrice taken, two syllables? *Plague* (*Ague*).

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INCHES.—A woman is a pleasant stanzza.

FAITHFUL.—Boy at the foot of the class, "Admitance,"—*Boy*—"Admitance, admittance,"—*Give the definition!*"—*Boy*—"Fifty cents, children half price; front seats reserved for the class."

THE ENTIRE alphabet is found in these four lines. They form a pleasant stanza for a child to sing:

"I owe you a life, sir," she said, in a low trill, "I owe you a life, and I never shall forget the life!"

"Heavens!" cried Belphor, realizing the young lady's peril, "she is going to her death!"

The horse, terrified, bounded to one side, so quickly too, that it seemed scarcely to notice the beautiful rider could keep her balance.

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D. WHEELER, WATCH-MAKER & JEWELER, has received his complete stock of American and Imported Watches, Clocks and Jewelry, Repair and Service Represented. Fine Silver, Supply the Clifton House.

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Front Street.

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The above house, just completed and for

rented now throughout, is opened to the

public. Accommodations unsurpassed by any

public house in the country, and terms reason-

able. There is always a comfortable bar, plenty of good food, and the best

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257th

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Manufacturer and Dealer in

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Gilt Moldings kept on Hand

WARE-ROOMS CORNER OF HICKORY & SECOND STS., MANKATO, MINN. 1851

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We make a specialty of SASH, DOORS and MOULD-

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2024

Beech Earth City

FAST HORSES AND FARM HORSES sold in

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Blue Earth City, MINNESOTA.

I. S. MEAD, Proprietor.

Billiard tables are connected with the house,

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2424

R. WAITE,

JEWELER,

Blue Earth City, MINNESOTA.

Has constantly on hand Clocks, Watches, Jewelry,

Silverware, Gold-plate, Musical Instruments,

etc. Repairing done with dispatch and

2084

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Blue Earth City, Minn.

July 1st, 1859.

2016

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Arrival and Departure of Mails.

ARRIVE-DAILY.

Mankato, 3 P.M.
Blue Earth City, 3 P.M.

DEPART.

Mankato, 3 A.M.
Blue Earth City, 3 A.M.

WEEKLY.—SEMI-WEEKLY, WEEKLY.

Waukesha—Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 1 P.M.
Albert Lea—Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 1 P.M.
Albert Lea—Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 6 A.M.
Tuttle—Tuesday, Saturday, 1 P.M.

To insure prompt delivery, it is required in the office half hour departure time.

Church Directory.

The communistic flock dwelling at O. P. Clubb, in Faribault, has been opened to the traveling public, suitable accommodations are now offered to all who may care to avail themselves of his hospitality.

CONVENTIONALISTS.—Services every Sabbath morning, in the High School building, at 10:30 o'clock.

UNION.—Prayer Meeting, Wednesday evenings, in Sabine School every Sunday morning, immediate-ly after service.

Burial of Sir Thomas Kitten.

He was a most mischievous member of the feline race, while chattering an amorous ditty to his lady-love, had his song ended by a stray brick which, while he was leaning against the wall of his house, was in the act of hitting the nose of Aunt Sally, who lived in the bay of oblivion.

He was much respected by the cats and kittens of his neighborhood, and was a favorite with the children, who used to sit on his back, and play with him.

He was the first of the concerto artists of the village.

The writer was wakened by three of the oldest maids of the village, who asked him to beg the invitation of the Muse, and write some lines on the subject of the deceased kitten.

He was a great favorite with the children.

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2207-1

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FAST HOUSES AND FARM HOUSES, short in

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City, 207-1

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Shaks, nearly printed, and for sale at

the Hawkeye in Ofice.

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1747-1

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Conveniences more numerous than any other

Hotel in the State.

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H. Webb has fitted up and opened an

EATING SALOON

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2324-1

AND

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Where will always be found FRESH BREAD,

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SAGE,

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POTATOES,

TEA,

TOBACCO,

PIPES,

CIGARS,

SOAP,

VINEGAR,

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D. WHEELER, JEWELER & JEWELLER,
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THE FREE HOMESTEAD.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 1870.

The Homestead is delayed one day this week, on account of the non arrival of paper. No one will be more thankful than ourselves when railroads shall once more be free from the snow blockade. Let patients have her perfect work.

Love Your Enemies.

Not the better your enemies, who seem friend toward Christianity, and who, consequently, are the more wily without an effort, but enemies worthy of the name—enemies that could reject the kindly proffered hand, that nimbly refuse to speak when politely spoken to, and fondly turn away the hand when passing you—enemies that look like a serpent, that would rob you of your fair reputation and your purse; burn your hard earned shelter and yourself with it, and drown your soul in the bargain. Such are the enemies the great Teacher requires you to love. Not to esteem them, merely, not to let them off with terms of equality, not to let them alone simply, with the gracious saying, "I wish them so bad, that thy religion leads me to speak as well as my conscience does." But to love them, and pray for them. My brother, there is a narrow place in the way than that, and perhaps it is the narrowest place in the entire way to heaven. If you say that you cannot love your enemies, that it is impossible; then it is settled that you cannot be a Christian. It may be impossible for the unregenerate, grace can remove the difficulty and produce love to your enemies. The world loves its own, and if Christians only love Christians, (a party love,) how are they better than the world? Of course when any one becomes a Christian, he becomes like Christ in heart. If then, the question be asked, how can we love his enemies? I answer; just as Christ loves his enemies, he whose heart is made of tenderness and whose bosom melt with love. Like Christ, the Christian hates sin, but still the sinner loves. The fond parent knows something of this principle as he hates the tormented course of his much loved offspring. If your religion does not produce love to your enemies it is not genuine. I will not say that it is an easy thing to love an enemy. It certainly requires more than an ordinary effort, though at first thought it may seem a small matter. But it is easier to endure mighty opposition than petty insults; easier to take a city than to rule ones own spirit. It was easier for Grant to subdue an army in the field than after its surrender to endure the unparalleled insults of cool neglect by Pemberton and his generals in Vicksburg. But he was man enough to endure it with composure. Such is great philosophical conquest; but to love an inmaster requires a moral elevation high as the heaven. To attain such a position, constant fervent and faithful prayer, with holy living—we absolutely requisite. Do I hear some one say, if the way is so narrow, who then can be saved? Possibly you may come to the fearful conclusion, that fewer are in Christ's way to sanctified heaven, than you had faintly anticipated. Wake to righteousness, and but suppose otherwise; (which is impossible) suppose that Christ loves his enemies and that his disciples co-operate in evangelizing the world? If all professors of religion were really elevated to the sublime position of loving their enemies, the kingdom of this world soon would become the kingdom of our Lord. The rural pathway deceptively interposed with alternate sunshines and shades, gazing fountains and variegated landscape, is not so desirable to the apprehensive traveler, as is the truly pious way of loving your enemies. When you think of the purity and consequent joyfulness of this way, of the heart graciously subdued to the mildness of the great Jesus, of the enlightened mind, with eagle-eyed strength, advancing in the light of God, so as to clearly recognize in man's sphere the value of the immortal soul; converted or not, you will have a faint idea, at least, of the excellency of this high way of holiness, and will be prompted to put on the whole armor of God, go out into the hard places of the earth and win enemies, even to be reconciled to Christ's way of salvation.

Lord, hasten the good time coming, when all professors of thy holy religion, shall so love all their enemies, that the lost may be found, and the dead in sin brought to the life that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A Sermon.

Revolts in the U. S. Senate. What a mighty change! During all the years of our being, as a nation, no one guilty of having a dark face, has been courted worthily to be even a door-keeper in that department. But lo, our now stands inside that national door by authority—stands erect like a man, and is teaching Senators wisdom. And what is strange, he fills the ideal seat vacated by the chief of those who swore to bind the gallant chain of American Slavery with final fate.

How significantly this brings to mind the case of Haman and Mordecai. The last shall be first, and the first last.

Poor Isaac!—no, Davis, who so arrogantly sought to wrench the last vestige of hope from the man with whom he so well changed places!

The advice of Davis was very unlike that of Abilhophel in the case of Absalom's rebellion against his father David, King of Israel,—self destruction and loss of his cause. At the last setting sun, Rebels and their race were depressed with degradation and misery; this morning they are honored with literature, power and position. Verily, this is political elevation almost too soon.

Roll on world, only keep on the right track.

Death of Bishop Thompson.

Edward Thompson, one of the bishops of the M. E. Church, died at Wheeling, West Virginia, last week Tuesday, of typhoid pneumonia. He presided at the West Virginia Conference, held at Charleston, Kanawha county, two weeks since, and was on his way to Jersey City to officiate in the Conference which was held there last week, when he was suddenly overtaken by sickness and death. Bishop Thompson was one of the most valued members of the Methodist church, and his loss will be deeply felt, not only by that church, but by the whole country.

For many years president of the Ohio Wesleyan University, he endeared himself to thousands of young men. In 1860 he was chosen by the General Conference to edit the New York Church paper, which he did for four years. Elected as one of the Church Bishops in 1864, he performed the duties pertaining to that office most acceptably, and now has his reward.

Charles T. Gorman, President First National Bank.

The State Fair will be held this year at Winona.

The citizens of Winona are rejoicing over the success.

Charles T. Gorman was dressed at Winona last Wednesday.

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